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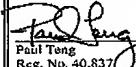
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COMMUNICATION RE NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY

Sir:

Upon receiving a Notice of Allowance dated November 5, 2003 issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office (PTO) in connection with the above-identified application, Applicant found attached to the November 5, 2003 Notice of Allowance a Notice of Allowability for an entirely different application and which was addressed to another law firm. No Notice of Allowability for this application was, however, attached to the November 5, 2003 Notice of Allowance. A copy of the November 5, 2003 Notice of Allowance is enclosed herewith.

After discovering this clerical error by the PTO, Applicant forwarded the wrongly-attached Notice of Allowability for the different application to the law firm to which the Notice of Allowability was addressed, and contacted the PTO.

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In a telephone conference on December 11, 2003 between Ms. Joanne Rhee of the undersigned's office and Examiner Leszek Kiliman of the PTO, Ms. Rhee informed that the Notice of Allowability for the different application was attached to the November 5, 2003 Notice of Allowance received by Applicant, and that no Notice of Allowability for this application was, however, attached to the November 5, 2003 Notice of Allowance. Ms. Rhee also requested that the Examiner forward a copy of the Notice of Allowability for this application to Applicant. The Examiner advised Applicant to file a written communication requesting reissuance of a Notice of Allowability on an expedited basis.

The issue fee and publication fee are currently set to be due February 5, 2004.

Accordingly, Applicant hereby respectfully requests that a copy of the Notice of Allowability for this application be forwarded to Applicant as soon as possible, and preferably by facsimile to the undersigned at facsimile number (212) 391-0525.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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TITLE OF INVENTION: MULTI-LAYER PAPER PEELABLE INTO AT LEAST TWO THIN SHEETS

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